

Environmental Protection Agency

§ 86.1319-90

(f) For diesel fuel testing only. The carbon monoxide analyzer shall be calibrated at least every two months or after any maintenance which could alter calibration.

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§ 86.1318-84 Engine dynamometer system calibrations.

(a) The engine flywheel torque and engine speed measurement transducers shall be calibrated at least once each month with the calibration equipment described in § 86.1308-84.

(b) The engine flywheel torque feedback signals to the cycle verification equipment shall be electronically checked before each test, and adjusted as necessary.

(c) Other engine dynamometer system calibrations shall be performed as dictated by good engineering practice.

(d) When calibrating the engine flywheel torque transducer, any lever arm used to convert a weight or a force through a distance into a torque shall be used in a horizontal position (± 5 degrees).

(e) Calibrated resistors may not be used for engine flywheel torque transducer calibration, but may be used to span the transducer prior to engine testing.

§ 86.1319-90 CVS calibration.

(a) The CVS is calibrated using an accurate flowmeter and restrictor valve. The flowmeter calibration shall be traceable to the NBS, and will serve as the reference value (NBS "true" value) for the CVS calibration. (*Note:* In no case should an upstream screen or other restriction which can affect the flow be used ahead of the flowmeter unless calibrated throughout the flow range with such a device.) The CVS calibration procedures are designed for use of a "metering venturi" type flowmeter. Large radius or ASME flow nozzles are considered equivalent if traceable to NBS measurements. Other measurement systems may be used if shown to be equivalent under the test conditions in this section and traceable to NBS measurements. Measurements of the various flowmeter parameters are recorded and related to flow

through the CVS. Procedures used by EPA for both PDP-CVS and CFV-CVS are outlined below. Other procedures yielding equivalent results may be used if approved in advance by the Administrator.

(b) After the calibration curve has been obtained, verification of the entire system may be performed by injecting a known mass of gas into the system and comparing the mass indicated by the system to the true mass injected. An indicated error does not necessarily mean that the calibration is wrong, since other factors can influence the accuracy of the system (*e.g.*, analyzer calibration, leaks, or HC hangup). A verification procedure is found in paragraph (e) of this section.

(c) *PDP calibration.* (1) The following calibration procedure outlines the equipment, the test configuration, and the various parameters which must be measured to establish the flow rate of the CVS pump.

(i) All the parameters related to the pump are simultaneously measured with the parameters related to a flowmeter which is connected in series with the pump.

(ii) The calculated flow rate, ft^3/min , (at pump inlet absolute pressure and temperature) can then be plotted versus a correlation function which is the value of a specific combination of pump parameters.

(iii) The linear equation which relates the pump flow and the correlation function is then determined.

(iv) In the event that a CVS has a multiple speed drive, a calibration for each range used must be performed.

(2) This calibration procedure is based on the measurement of the absolute values of the pump and flowmeter parameters that relate the flow rate at each point. Two conditions must be maintained to assure the accuracy and integrity of the calibration curve:

(i) The temperature stability must be maintained during calibration. (Flowmeters are sensitive to inlet temperature oscillations; this can cause the data points to be scattered. Gradual changes in temperature are acceptable as long as they occur over a period of several minutes.)

(ii) All connections and ducting between the flowmeter and the CVS